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Office Action Summary

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Examiner

Ryan R Yang

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Period for Reply

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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 2/25/2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 2 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1 and 2 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- 11) ☐ The proposed drawing correction filed on _____ is: a) ☐ approved b) ☐ disapproved by the Examiner.
- If approved, corrected drawings are required in reply to this Office action.
- 12) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119 and 120

- 13) ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
- * See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.
- 14) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) (to a provisional application).
- a) ☐ The translation of the foreign language provisional application has been received.
- 15) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 120 and/or 121.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449) Paper No(s) _____.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413) Paper No(s). _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Continued Prosecution Application

1. The request filed on 3/26/2003 for a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) under 37 CFR 1.53(d) based on parent Application No. 09/642,911 is acceptable and a CPA has been established. An action on the CPA follows.

2. This action is responsive to communications: Amendment, filed on 2/25/2003. This action is non-final.

3. Claims 1 and 2 are pending in this application. Claims 1 and 2 are independent claims. In the Amendment, filed on 2/25/2003, claims 1 and 2 were amended.

This application is a Continuation of PCT/JP99/07248 dated 12/22/1999.

4. The present title of the invention is "Communication terminal" as filed originally.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

5. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

6. Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Jewson et al. (5,621,905).

As per claim 1, Jewson et al., hereinafter Jewson, discloses a communication terminal comprising:

a display unit which displays an original selection screen for selecting at least one of a plurality of options (Figure 2); and

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display control means which causes display of options in said display unit by division or scroll and enables selecting an option not currently displayed in said display unit from the options to be selected ("Vertical and horizontal scroll bars can be used by the operator to move the display window to different areas of the total tree structure not currently visible", column 5, line 21-24) and performs a display so as to include said selected option when displaying said original selection screen next ("The part which is displayed includes the last selection made", column 5, line 18-19).

7. As per claim 2, Jewson discloses a communication terminal comprising:

a display unit which displays an original selection screen for selecting at least one of a plurality of options (Figure 2); and

display control means which causes display of options in said display unit by division or scroll and enables selecting an option not currently displayed in said display unit from the options to be selected ("Vertical and horizontal scroll bars can be used by the operator to move the display window to different areas of the total tree structure not currently visible", column 5, line 21-24), and which causes, when an option not currently displayed has been selected, display of a screen associated with said selected option in said display unit and causes display of information indicating said selected option when displaying said original selection screen next ("The part which is displayed includes the last selection made", column 5, line 18-19).

Response to Arguments

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8. Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1 and 2 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

9. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Inquiries

10. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to **Ryan Yang** whose telephone number is **(703) 308-6133**.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, **Michael Razavi**, can be reached at **(703) 305-4713**.

Any response to this action should be mailed to:

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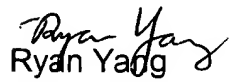
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Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Technology Center 2600 Customer Service Office whose telephone number is (703) 305-47000377.


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May 6, 2003